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1. WE SUGGEST SIMPLEST WAY TO AVOID CONFUSION IN UNDERSTANDING ABOUT USG FUNDING OF TAX REIMBURSEMENTS TO AMERICAN CITIZEN EMPLOYEES IS TO LIMIT SPECIFICALLY APPLICATION OF AGREEMENT TO REGULAR ASSESSED BUDGET. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE WOULD BE AN INEQUITY IN INCLUDING THE COST OF REIMBURSEMENTS TO U.S. CITIZEN EMPLOYEES IN THE ASSESSED BUDGET SINCE SIMILAR REIMBURSEMENT NOT REQUIRED FOR OTHER COUNTRY NATIONALS. (UNLESS, OF COURSE, THE CUMBERSOME AND RELATIVELY EXPENSIVE STAFF ASSESSMENT FUND IS ADOPTED.) HENCE WE ARE WILLING TO BEAR THE COST OF SUCH REIMBURSEMENT IN THE FORM OF AN ADD-ON TO OUR ASSESSMENT.

2. PROGRAMS FUNDED BY VOLUNTARY (UNDERLINE VOLUNTARY) CONTRIBUTIONS, ON THE OTHER HAND, ARE A DIFFERENT BREED OF UNCLASSIFIED

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TRIBUTIONS ARE INVOLVED WE WOULD ASSUME TAX REIMBURSEMENT
COST WOULD BE TAKEN OFF THE TOP OF THE U.S. VOLUNTARY CON-
TRIBUTION. IN THE CASE OF TRUST FUNDS TO WHICH THE U.S.
DOES NOT CONTRIBUTE, WE ASSUME TAX REIMBURSEMENT IS A COST

OF DOING BUSINESS WHICH IS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN A FUND
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